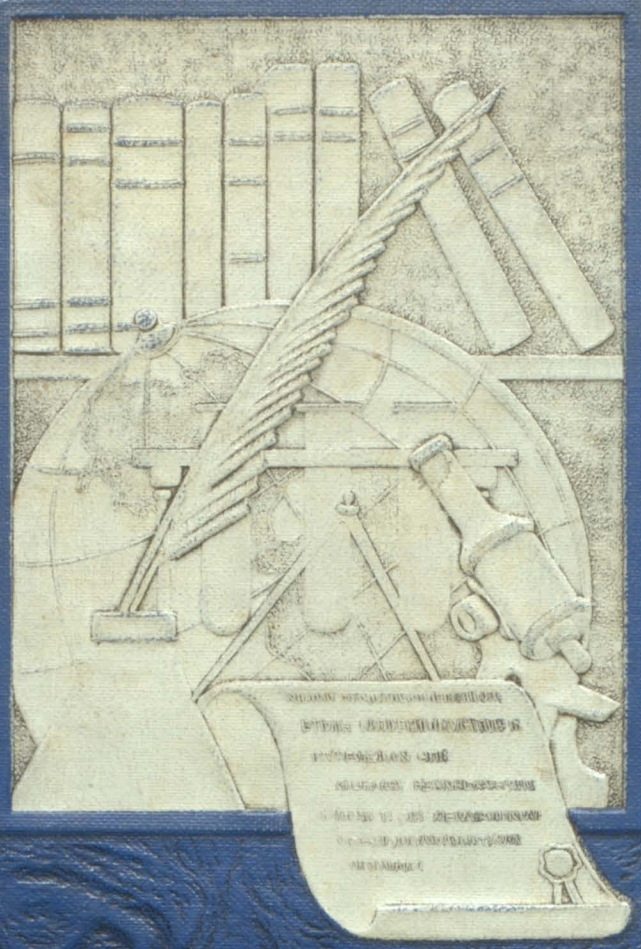
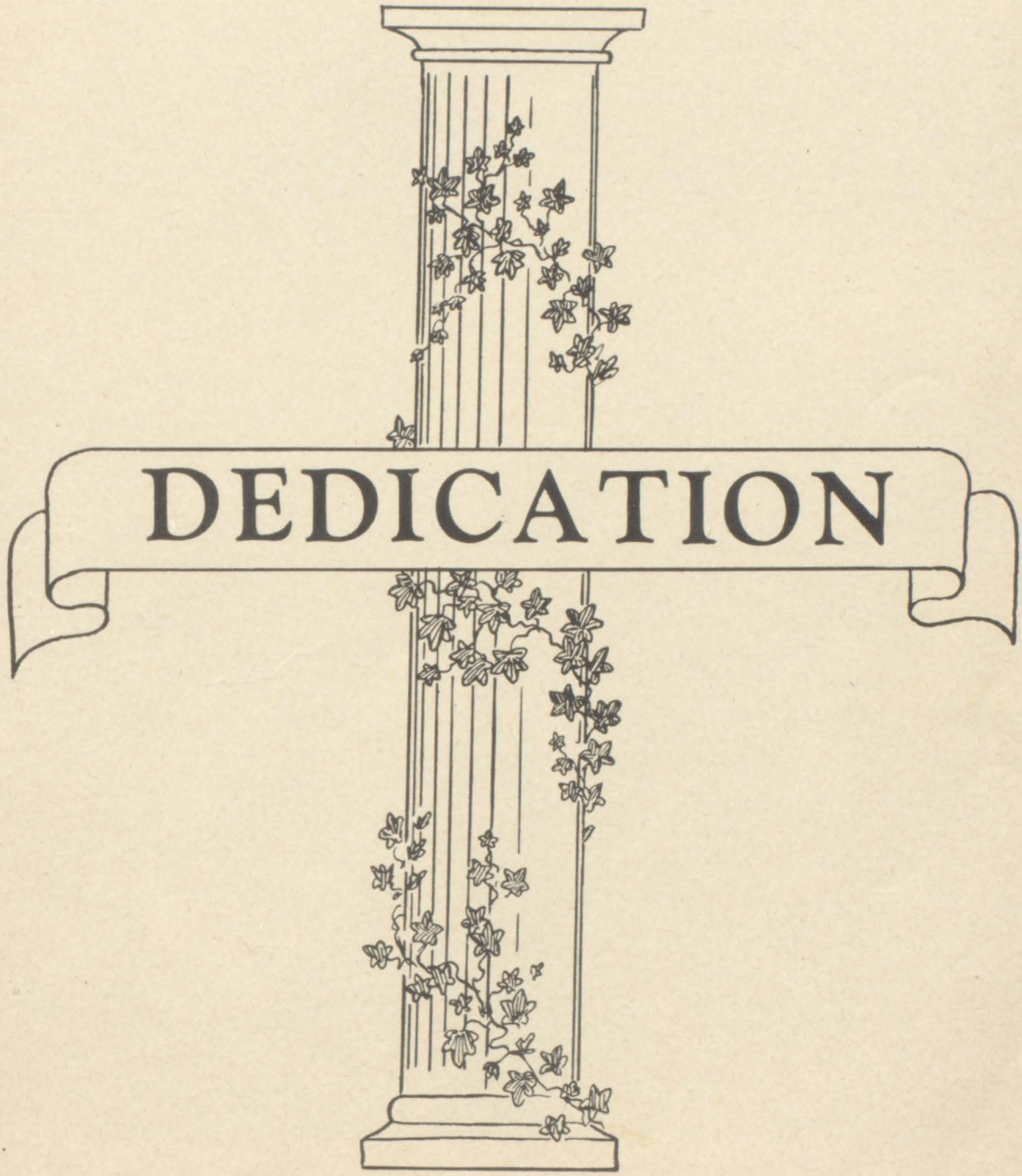


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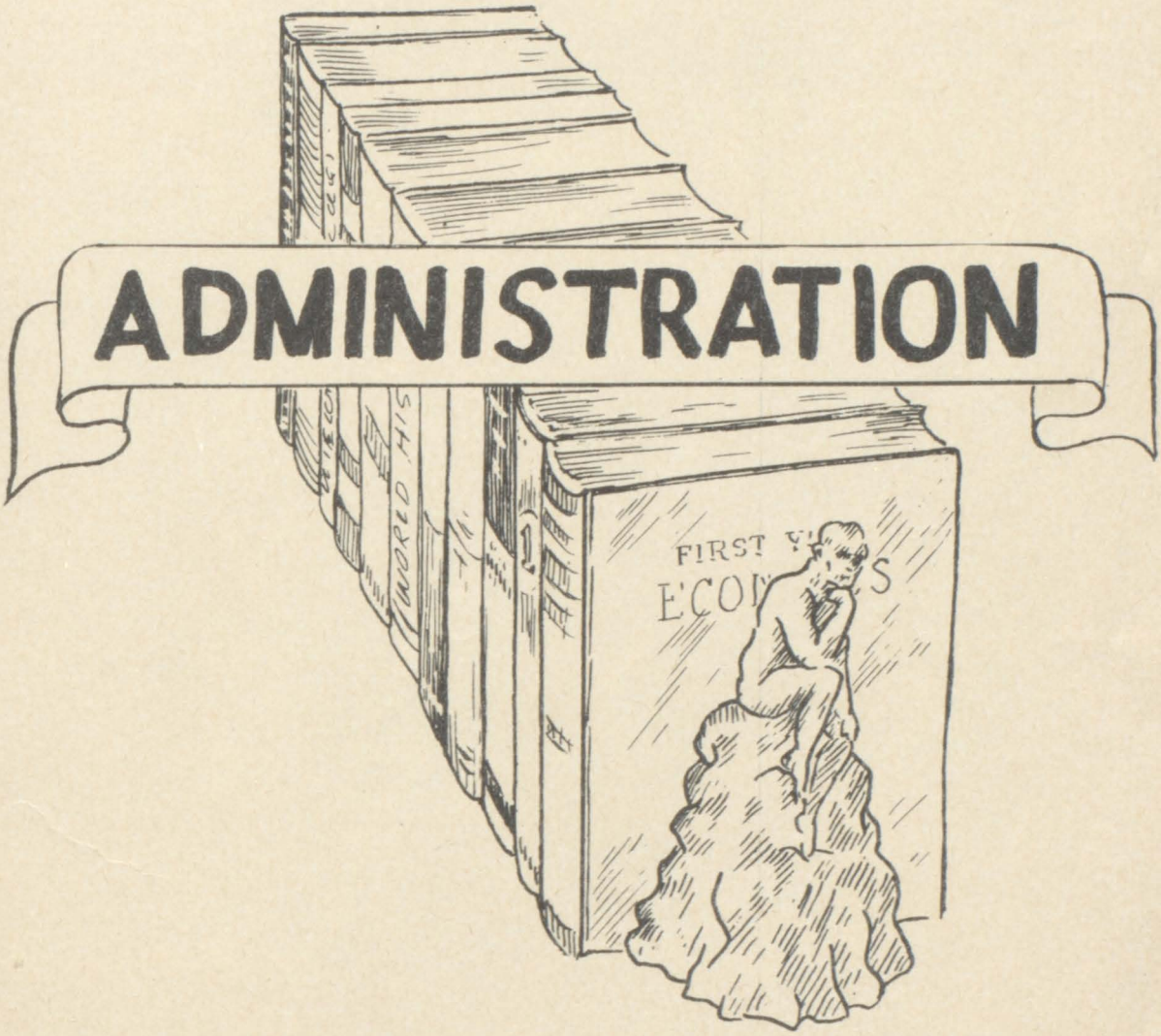

DEDICATION



MR. ROBERT BOLEN

We wish to dedicate this book to Mr. Robert Bolen as mayor of Maroa in the year of its centennial.

ADMINISTRATION





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Joseph Harmon, Pres., Newel Braden



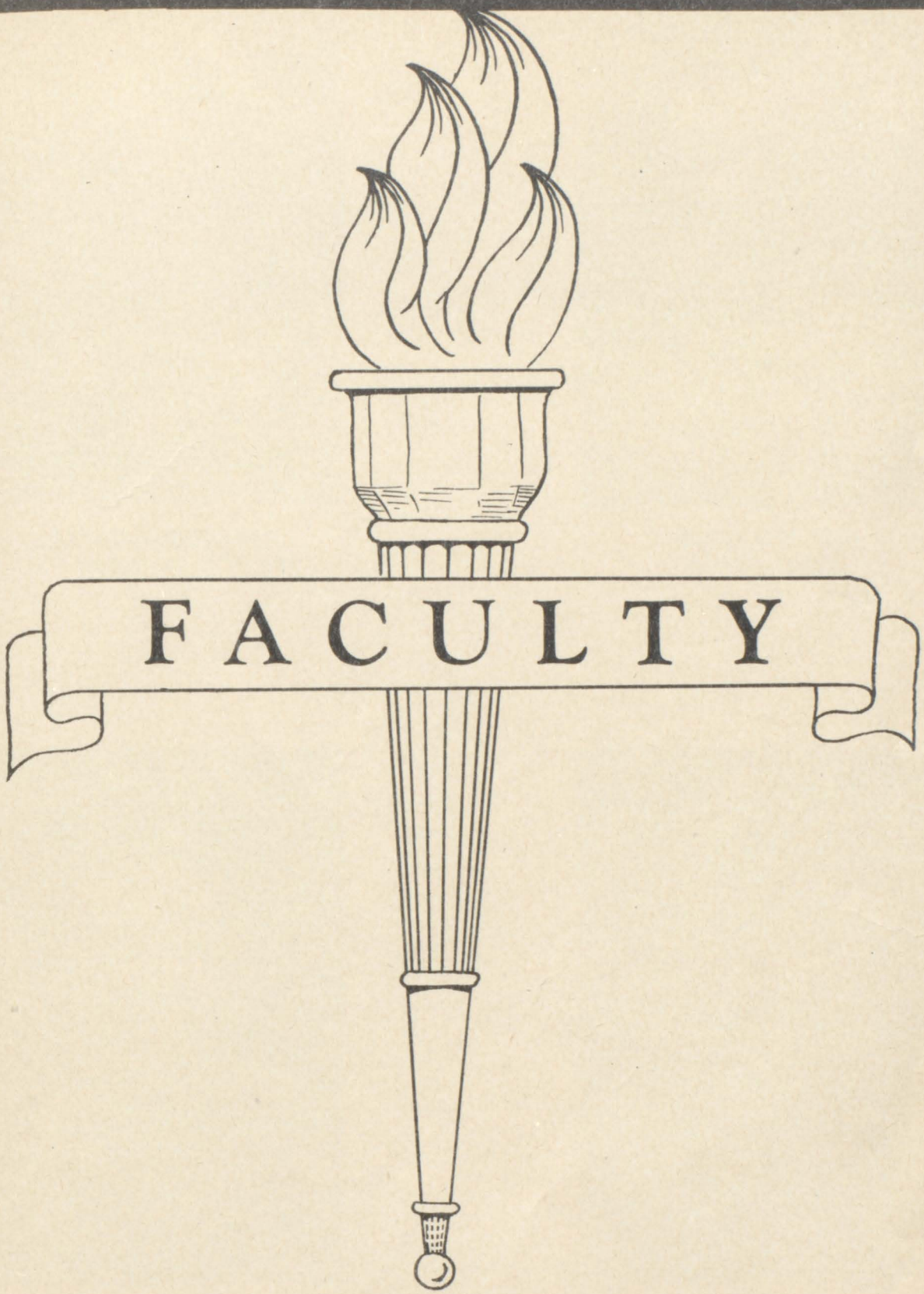
W. D. KEYES, JR.

Superintendent of Schools
Maroa Community Unit



MILO W. DEIBERT

Elementary Supervisor, Maroa Unit Schools
Principal, Maroa Grade School


FACULTY



PAULINE VANCE
First Grade



JOSEPHINE OVERFIELD
First Grade



ESTHER HARMON
Second Grade



EDNA ROGERS
Third Grade



CATHERINE COVEY
Third and Fourth Grade



LUCILLE EAGLER
Fourth Grade



BLANCHE ATKINS
Fifth Grade



MARION WRIGHT
Fifth Grade



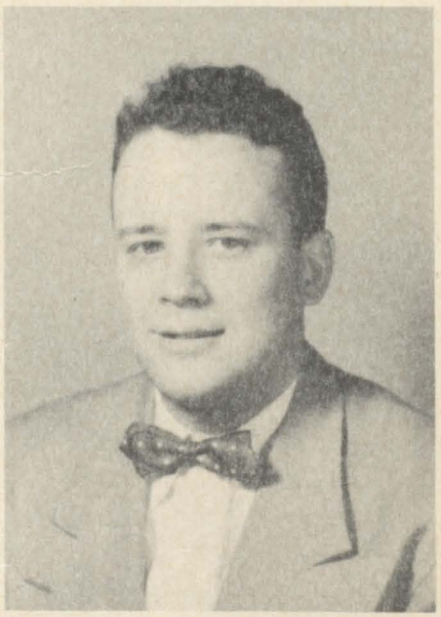
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Sixth Grade



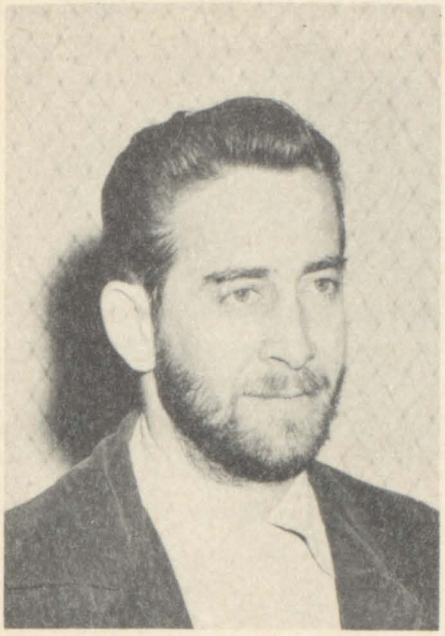
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Girls' P.E., 5-8
Boys' & Girls' P.E., 1-4
Seventh & Eighth Grades



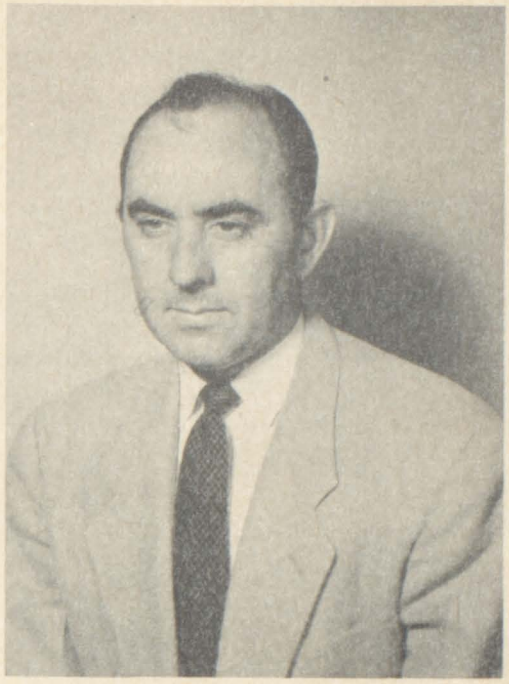
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RICHARD FASSETT
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DAVE CATLIN
Eighth Grade
Coach and Boys' P. E.



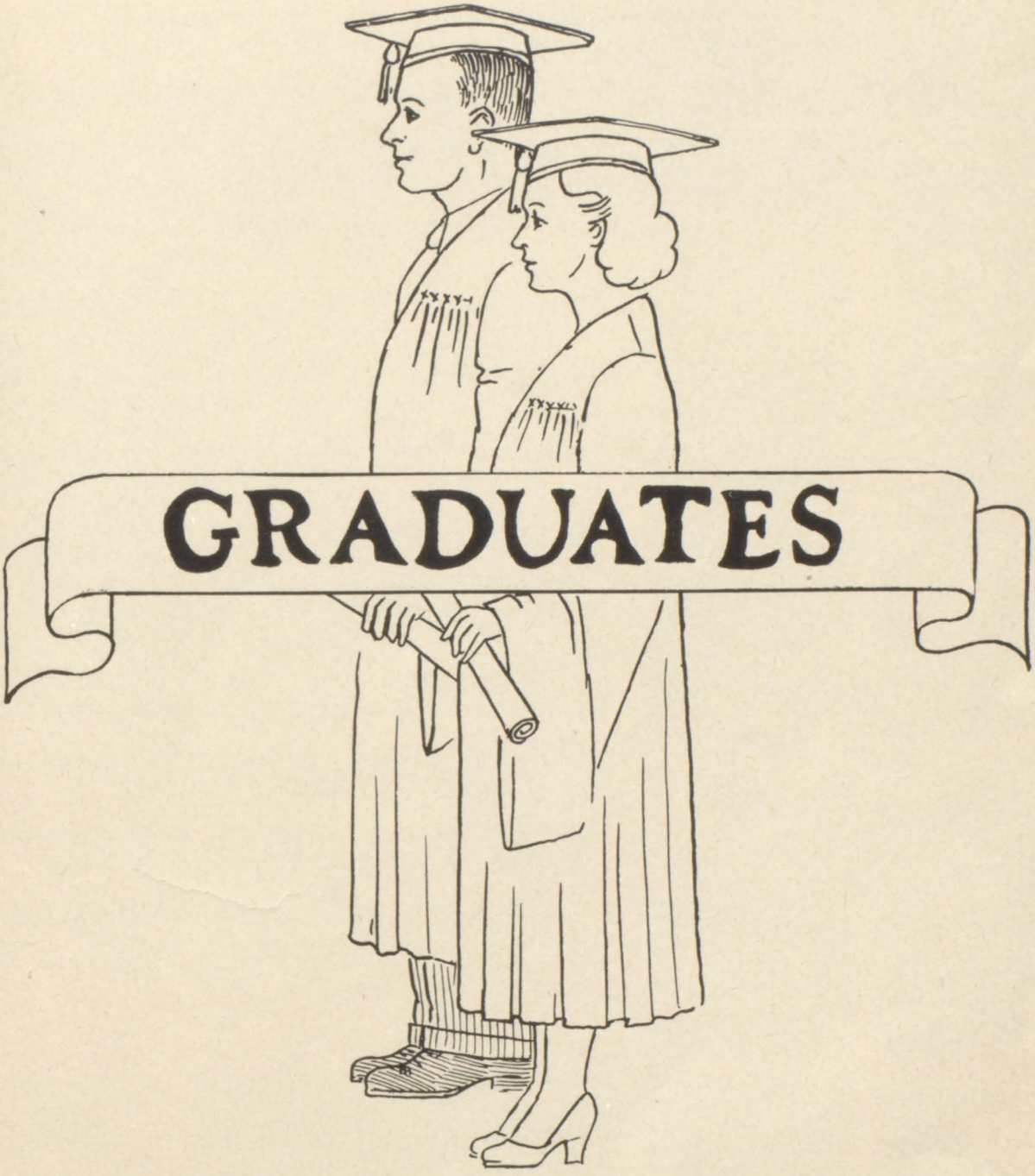
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Band



DORIS DOTSON
Vocal Music

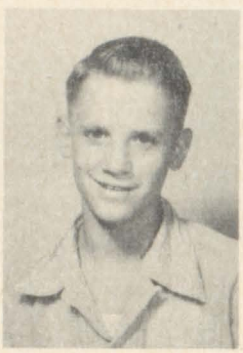


CHARLOTTE WIDICK
Secretary


GRADUATES







G R A D U A T E S

Austin, Larry: Not to be hurried or confused.

Bennett, George: Worry kills man-why die?

Bliss, Pat: I'd say she's shy but I know her too well.

Boyer, Duane: An exception to the rule about red hair.

Brown, Butch: If ability is all thats needed, he should go far.

Brown, Pat: Folks like you are fine indeed, More like you are what we need.

Brinkman, Patricia: I find earth not gray, but rosy.

Caplinger, Benny: I picked up life and looked at it curiously.

Crabtree, John: "A little nonsense now and then, is relished by the best of men."

Dawson, Tommie Lou: Quiet and demure.

Dealey, Kermit: Be great in act as you have been in thought.

Dorsey, Judy: As perfect a real girl as can be found.

Dubson, Reuben: A passionate desire for knowledge.







G R A D U A T E S

Eastham, Patricia "Bobbie": What would life be if I took it seriously.

Ethington, Clarence: "Happie": Never sad, kind of scrappy, that is why we call him "Happie".

Fathauer, Eunice: Small and neat-winsome and sweet.

Foulke, Edward "Sid": Silent, like an explosion.

Gardner, Maureen "Robin": She possesses equal portions of wisdom and foolishness.

Greeson, Joyce: "Quiet, modest, pretty and sweet as any girl you'd care to meet."

Hunt, Phillip: If you can't study, don't, No need to worry, he won't.

Ishmael, Leon: An all around good sport.

James, Della: Her hair is brown her height is small. She's very friendly to us all.

James, Lois: You'd know her by the merriment in her eyes.

Kinkaid, Bob: All the great men are dead or dying - I don't feel so well myself.

Larson, LaVon "Vonnie": She is not like a star, for of her there is but one.






























GRADUATES

Lazell, Richard: Small but mighty.

Montgomery, Gregory: I never intend to die from overwork.

Morr, Don: Manners mild and winning.

Runyen, Bob: I'm not afraid of work, just not in sympathy with it.

Rush, Karen: So modest she wouldn't even do improper fractions.

Stogsdill, Carol: The best hearts are ever the bravest.

Stone, Mary: Thy modesty is a candle to thy merit.

Stoutenborough, Adrienne: Combines brains and fun does she, that's the way one ought to be.

Thomas, Dick: He who laughs last is a fool to wait so long.

Thompson, Shirley: Quiet like a sleeping garden and as charming.

Wattles, Kaye: She is gentle, she is shy, but there is mischief in her eye.

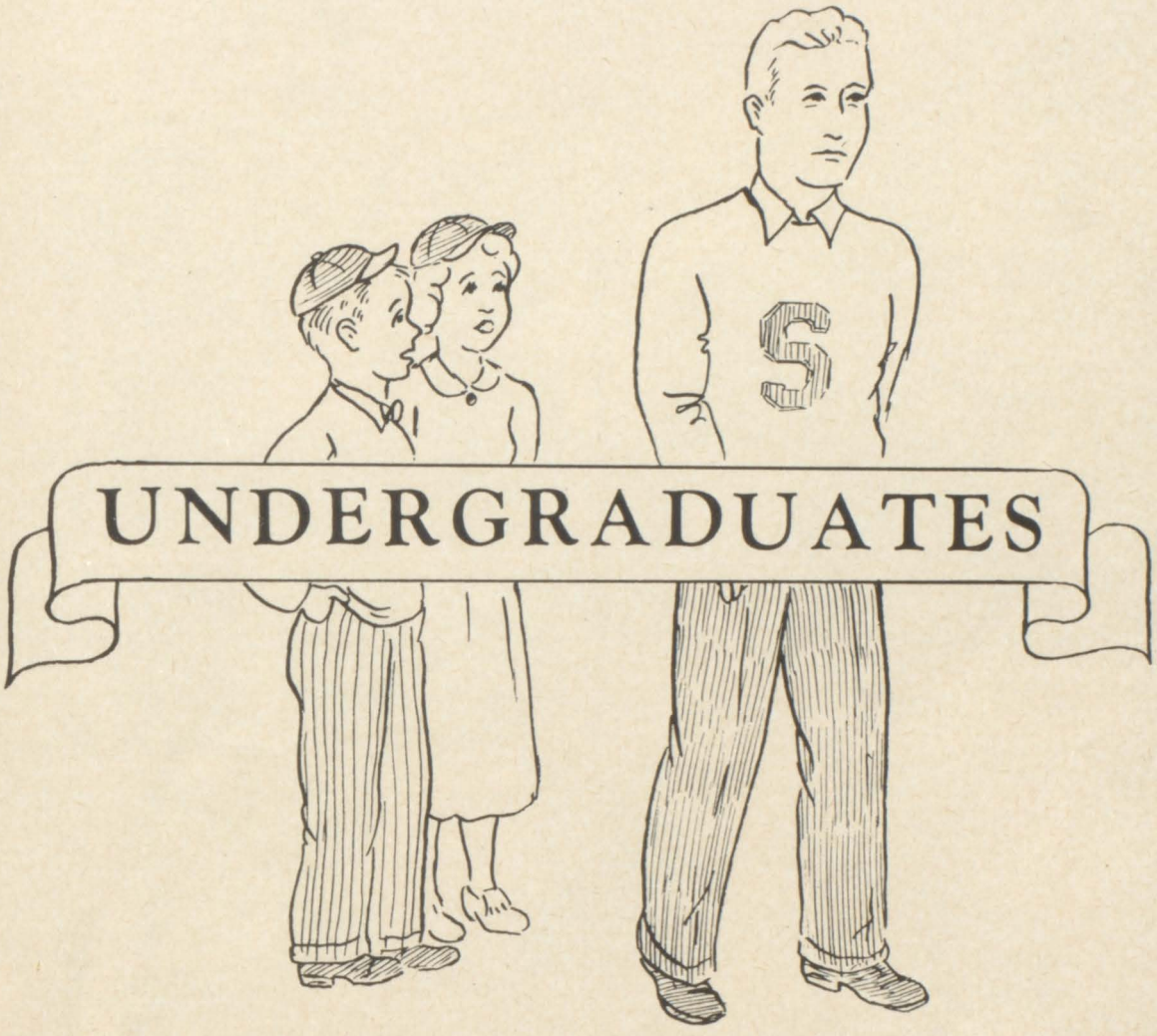
Woods, Bob: All work and no fun is not the life for me.



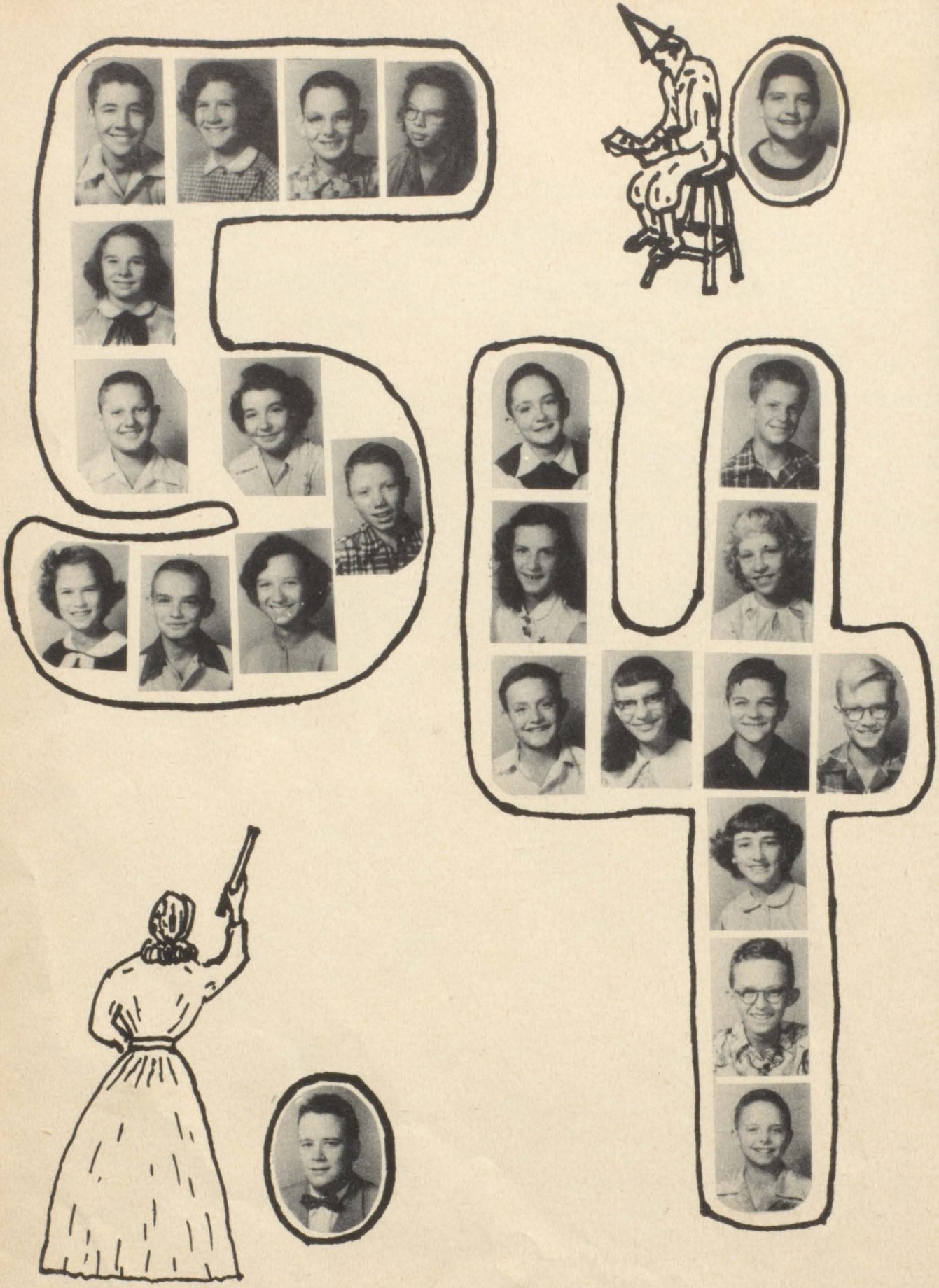








UNDERGRADUATES



SEVENTH GRADE



Lynette Boyer



Karen Brady



Darlene Brown



Dick Bush



Thomas Dash



Judy Elliot



Dale Fathauer



Bill Glynn



Roxie Gray



Carol Hodges



Tonia Hughes



Judy Jackson



Harold Marlow



Phillip Odle



Walter Query



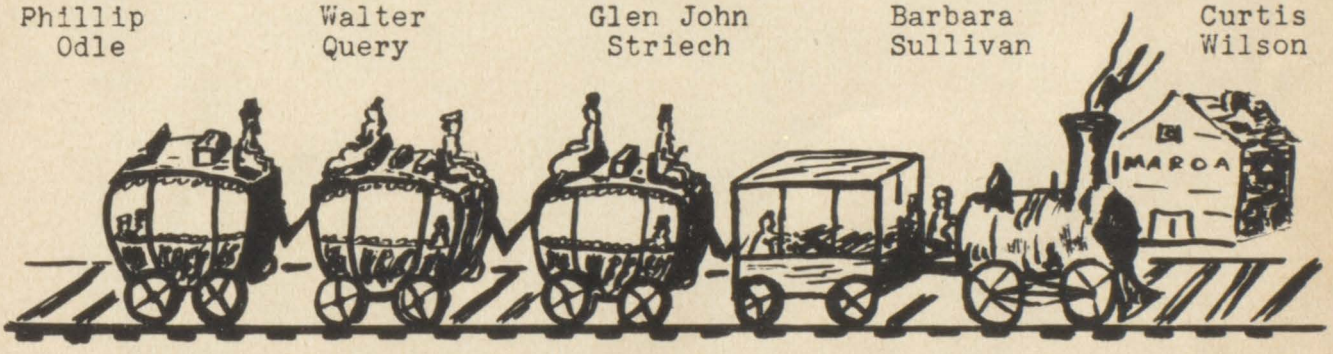
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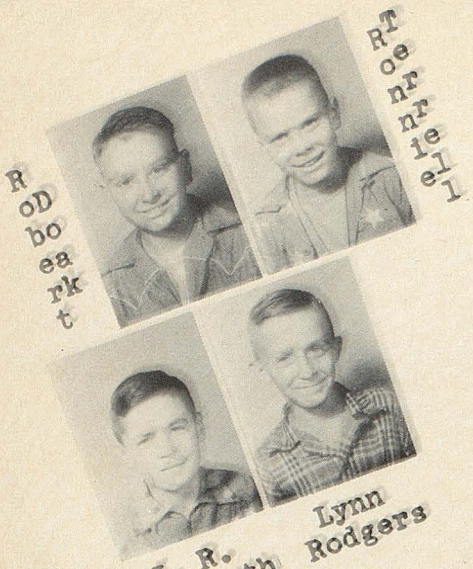


Barbara Sullivan



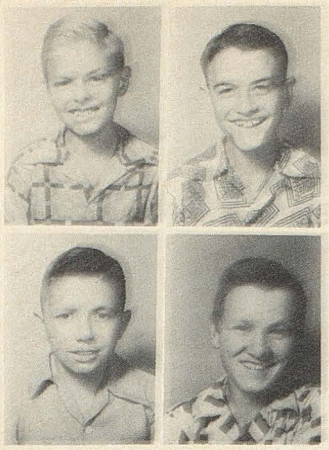
Curtis Wilson





J. R. Hedgpath

Lynn Rodgers

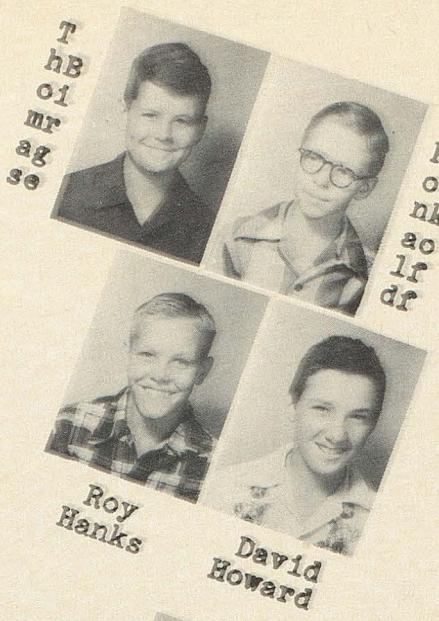


James Truelove

Laverne Malone

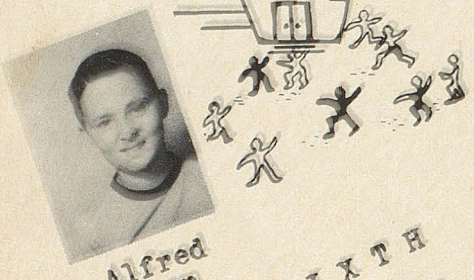
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James Howard



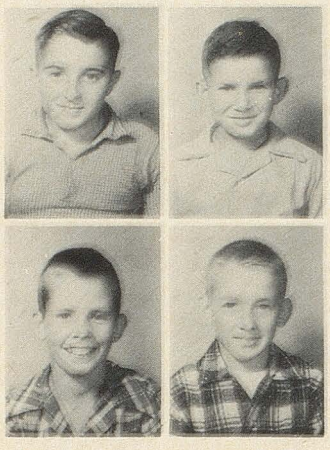
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Alfred Brown

SIXTH GRADE



Richard Heinz

Richard Ethinton

Junior Odle

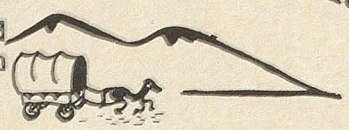
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Judy Allsup

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Judy Chalcraft

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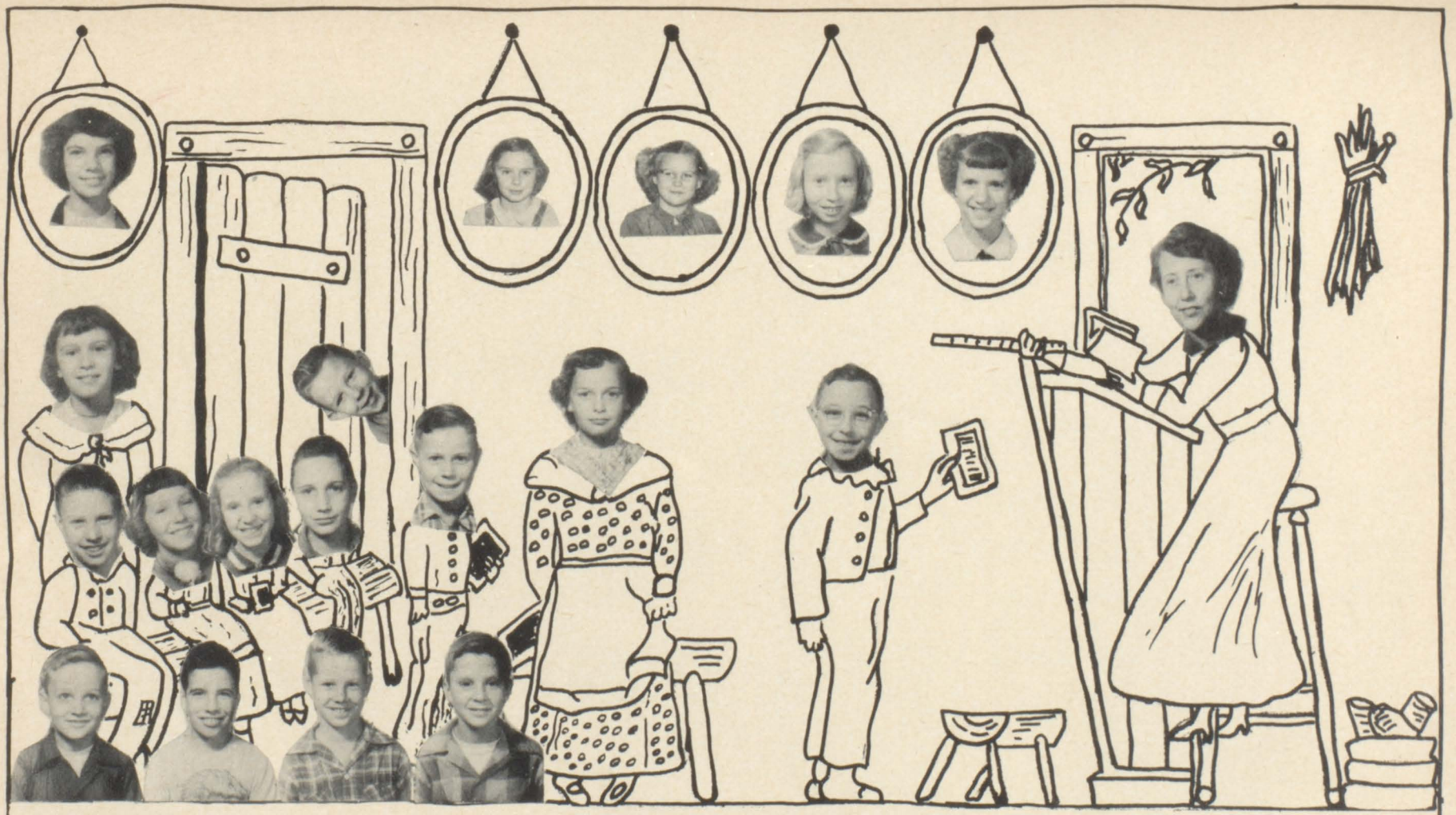
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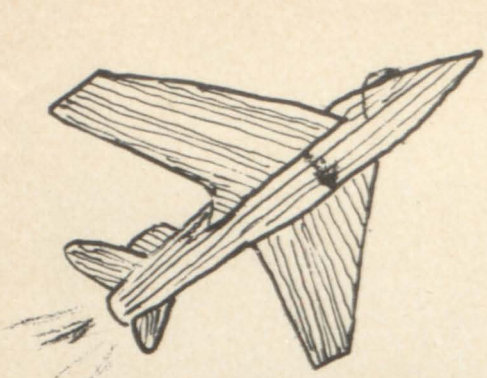
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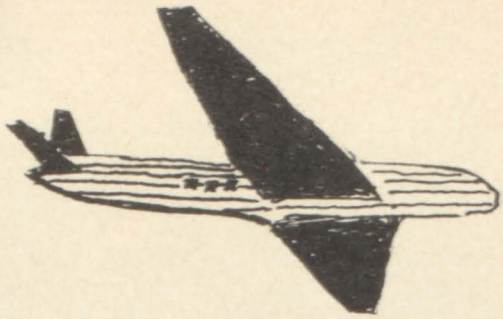
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2nd Row: James Smith, Sharon Boyer, Ardella Clifton, Thomas Hedgpeth, Ronald Brown, Juanita Williams, David Lemons.
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4th Row: Dorothea Streich, Janet Bolton, Sharon Bush, Susan McGuire, Beverly Pulliam.



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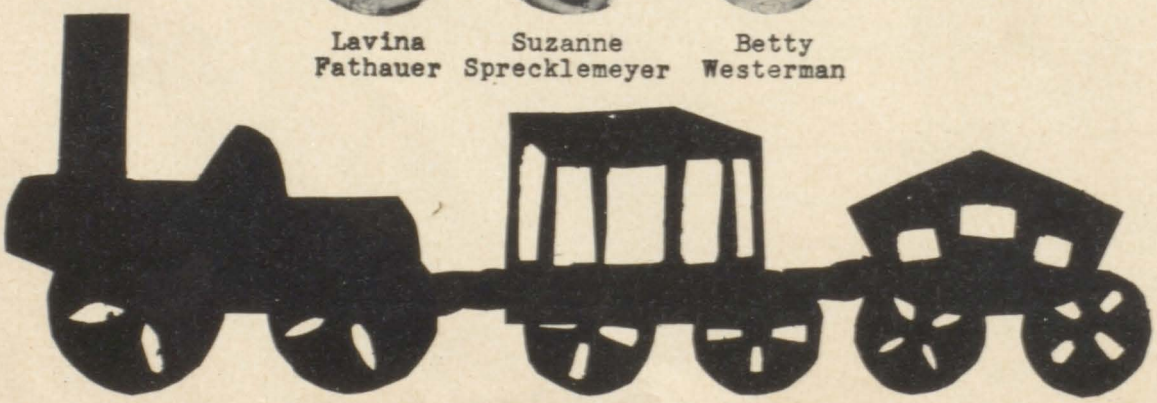
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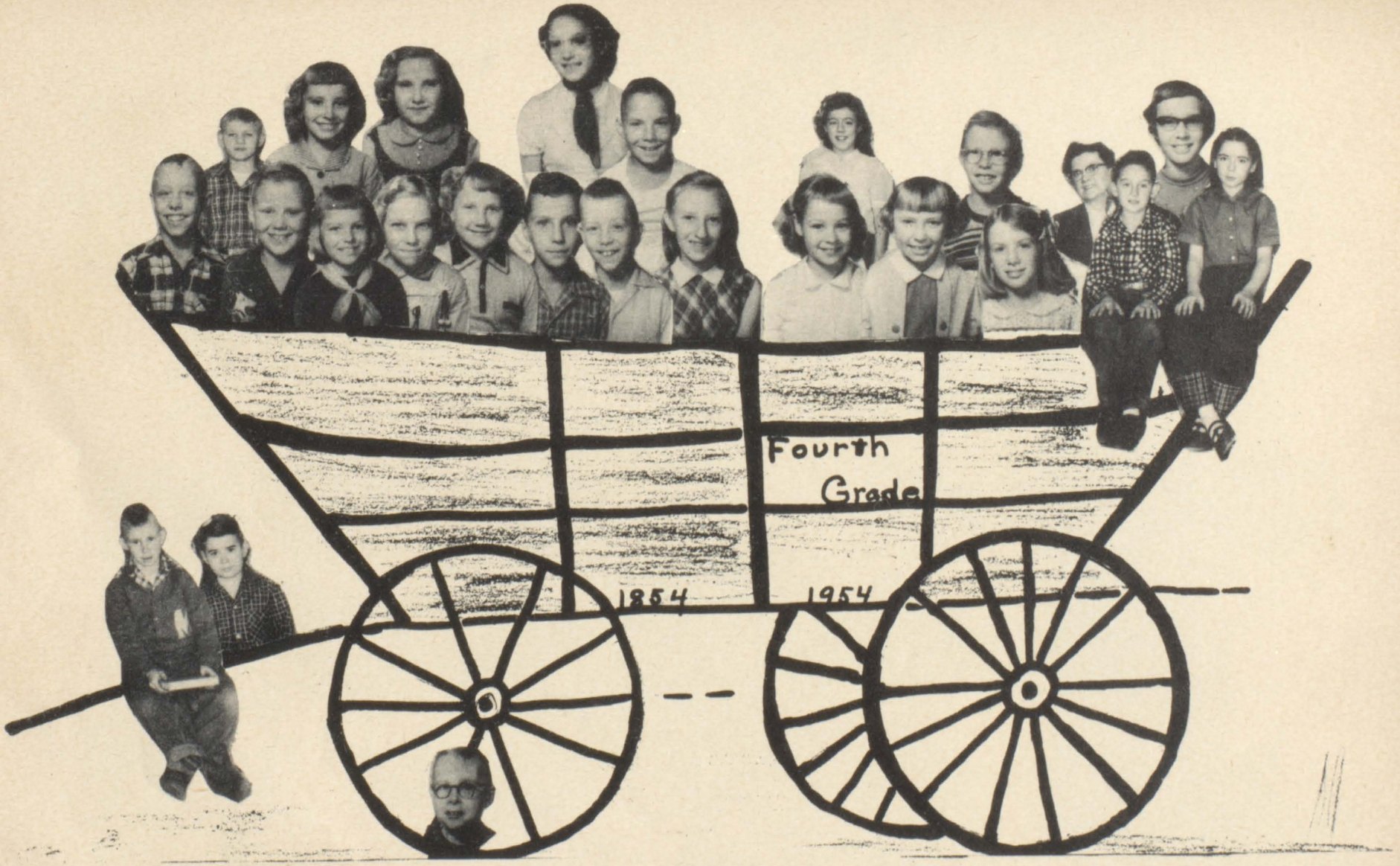


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Lavina Fathauer | Suzanne Specklemeyer | Betty Westerman





John Hanks
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Linda Dean
Carol Ann Foulke
Glenda Newell
Beverly Ann Jenkins
Janet Boyer
Roger Schultz
Carolyn Reed
Elston Mitchell
Bobby Stalker
Judy Woodside
Carol Sue Hartleroad
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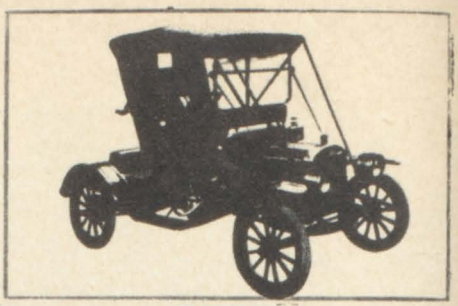


THIRD

GRADE



Miss Covey



FOURTH

GRADE



Dee Smith



Danny Lynch



Terry Stoutenborough



Melanie McGuire



Mary A. Bolton



R. Morganthaler



Janet Parker



Cheryl Spreckelmeyer



Kay Arnold



Charles Bliss



Linda Catlin



Carolyn Birge



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C.J. Stoutenborough



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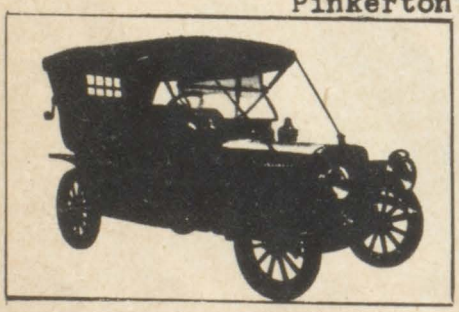


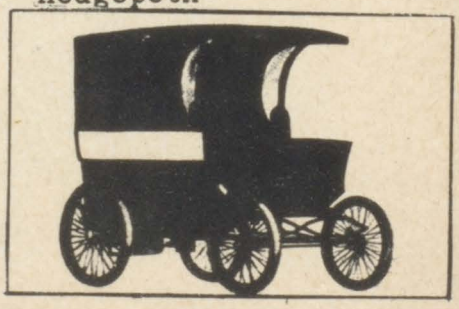
D. Stoutenborough





Jim Eaton

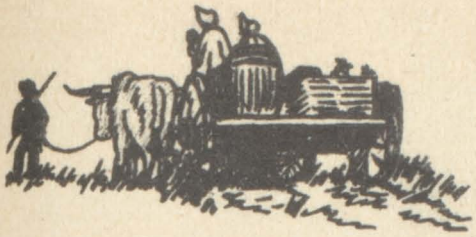




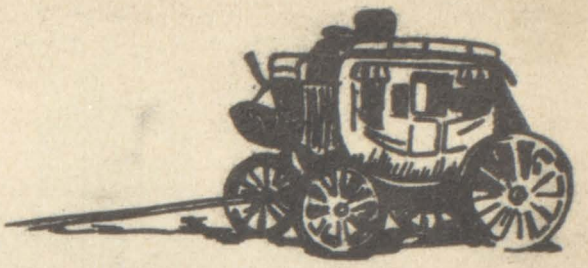
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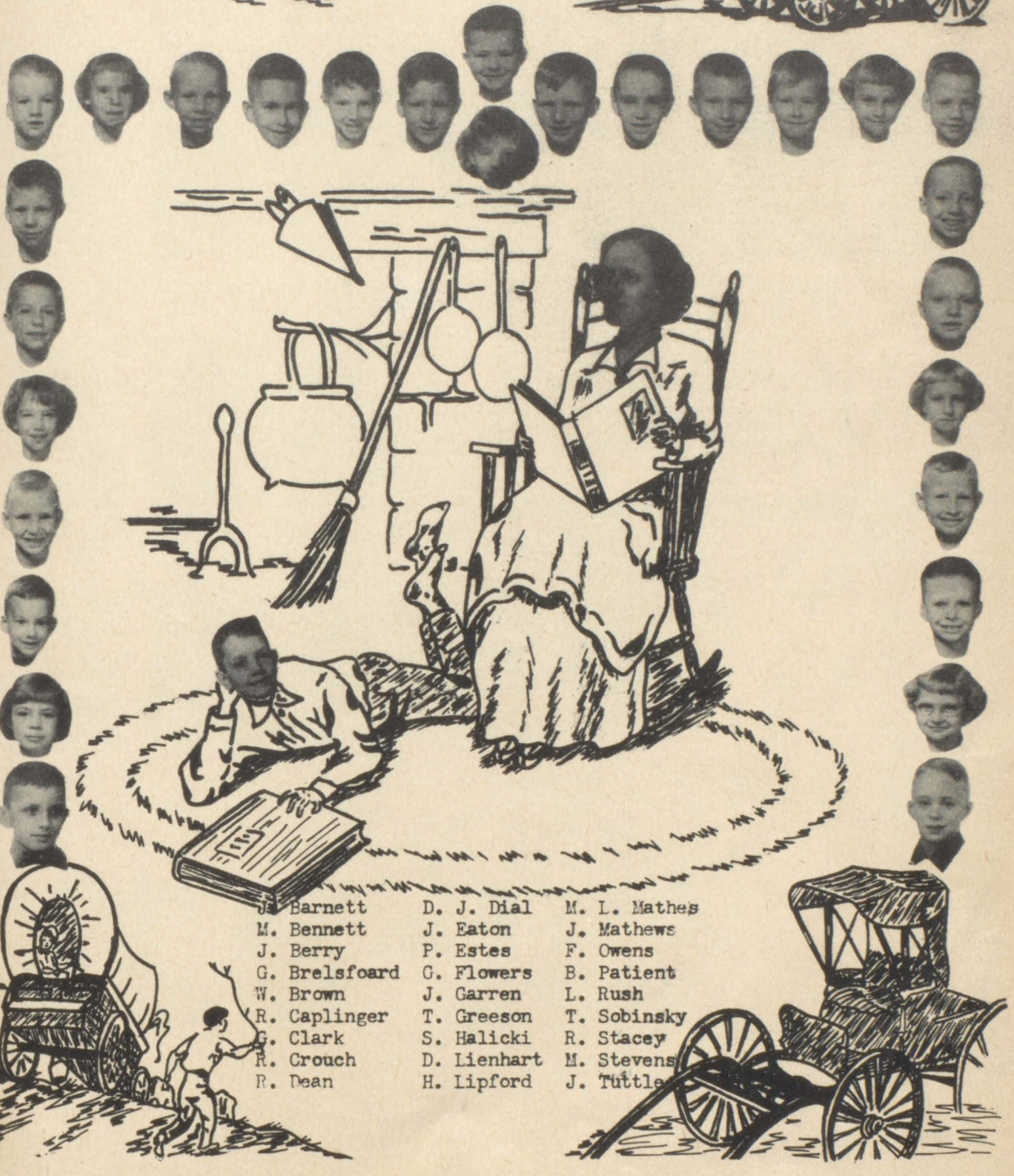
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R. Dean
D. J. Dial
J. Eaton
P. Estes
G. Flowers
J. Garren
T. Greeson
S. Halicki
D. Lienhart
H. Lipford
M. L. Mathes
J. Mathews
F. Owens
B. Patient
L. Rush
T. Sobinsky
R. Stacey
M. Stevens
J. Tuttle



Lynn Myers



Linda Glenn



Stephen Braden



Kathleen Loftus



Stephen Ward



Carol Jean Nelson



Virgil Evans



John Thompson



Connie Stone



Ferrand Ethington



Sharon Weikle



Larry Carder



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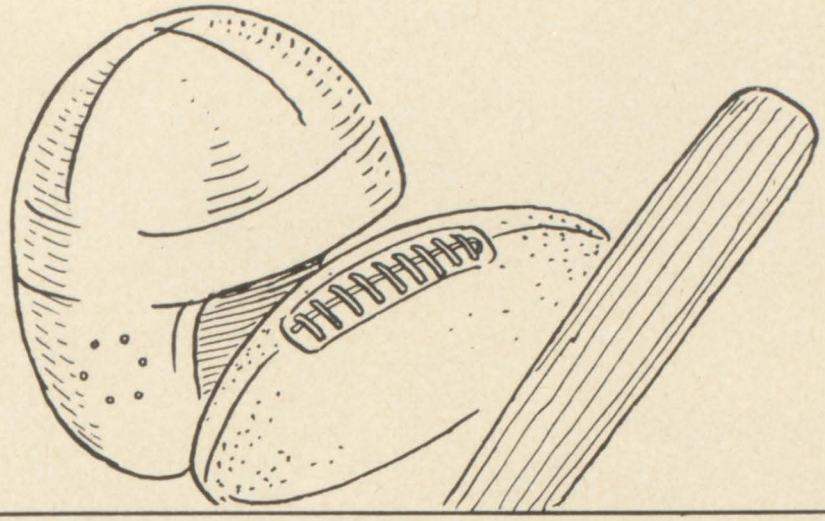
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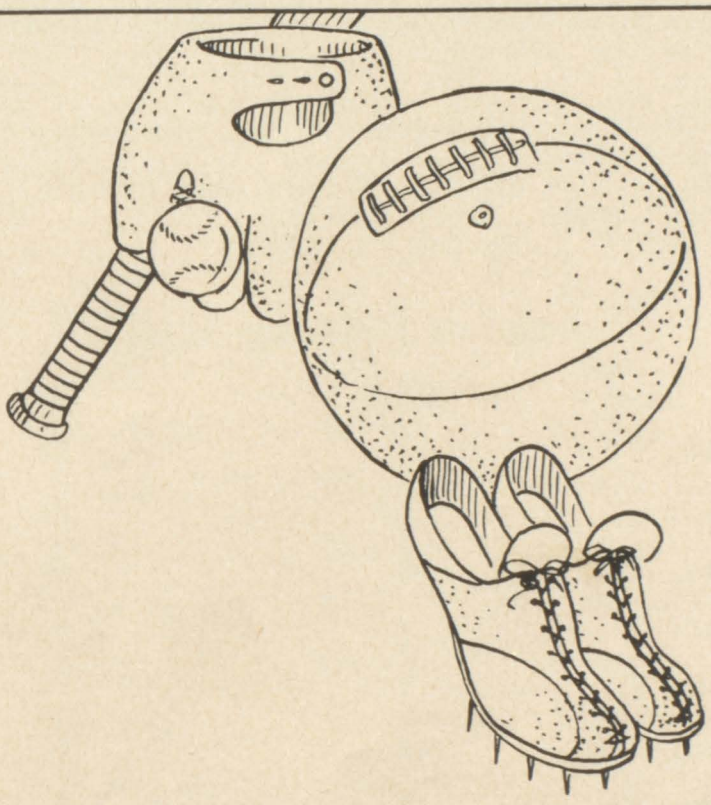
Michael Jackson



Linda Mae Porter



ATHLETICS





"A" TEAM

Front Row: Junior Odle, Duane Boyer, George Bennett, Phillip Odle, Richard Lazell.
Back Row: Coach Catlin, Curtiss Wilson, Bob Kinkaid, Dick Thomas, "Butch" Brown, Larry Austin.

SCORES OF BASKETBALL GAMES

Team	Date	Place	We	They
Macon	Nov. 23	T	38	51
Kenny	Dec. 9	H	28	32*
Mt.Zion	Dec. 11	H	45	48
Niantic	Dec. 14	T	59	28
Latham	Jan. 7	T	35	44
Argenta	Jan. 13	H	32	23
Cisco	Jan. 25	T	42	54*
Boody	Jan. 28	H	39	19
Forsyth	Feb. 8	H	46	18
Blue Mound	Feb. 11	H	42	38

* Non-conference WON 5 LOST 3



"B" T E A M

Front Row: Ronnie Terrell, Dale Fathauer, Gary Archey, Rodger Hughes, Lynn Rodgers, Robert Richardson, John Parker, David Hoffman, Roy Allsup, Robert Rhodes, Robert Rose.
Back Row: Coach Catlin, Walter Query, Robert Doak, Kermit Dealey, John Crabtree, Harold Marlow, Don Morr, Roy Hanks, Laverne Malone, Roy Groves, Richard Bennett, Ronald Brown.

WINS AND LOSSES

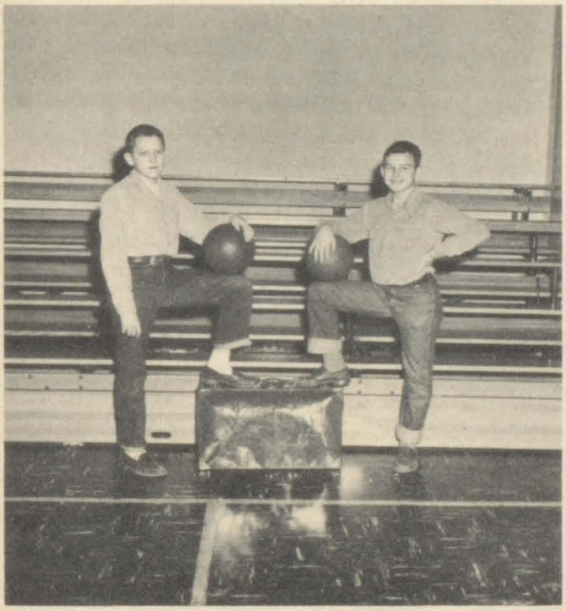
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Kenny	Here	Won
Mt. Zion	Here	Lost
Niantic	There	Won
Latham	There	Lost
Argenta	Here	Won
Boody	Here	Won
Forsyth	Here	Lost
Blue Mound	Here	Won


Junior Odle
George Bennett
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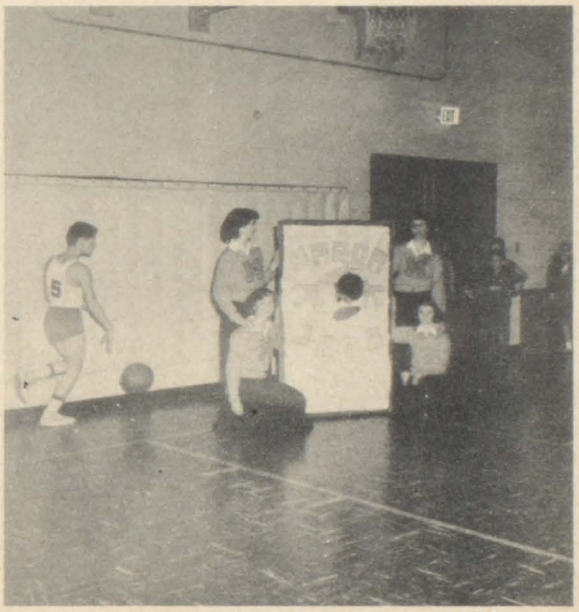
C H E E R L E A D E R S

Front Row: Judy Elliot, Tonia Hughes, Dell Mae Ethington
Back Row: Maureen Gardner, Adrienne Stoutenborough, Joyce Greeson



M A N A G E R S

Benny Caplinger, Edward Foulke



MAROA JETS
come through again.


ACTIVITIES



A D V A N C E D B A N D

First Row: D. Fathauer, J. Chalcraft, L. Morgan, L. Larson, M. Stone, S. Specklemeyer, B. Brelsfoard, A. Stoutenborough, D. Thomas, R. Lazell, L. Malone, E. Fathauer.
Second Row: R. Rhodes, J. Allsup, C. Moberly, C. Harmon, C. Margenthaler, J.R. Hedgpeth, K. Miller, E. Foulke, K. Brady, M. Hughes, C. Glenn, R. Gray, D. Boyer, K. Dealey, R. Rose, D. Garren, A. Brown, E. Hall.
Standing: Mr. Morris, Band Director, Bob Kinkaid, R. Wikoff, T. Dash.



B E G I N N I N G B A N D

L. Fathauer, S. McGuire, R. Schultz, R. Brelsfoard, J. Jenkins, T. Hughes, C. Foulke, D. Morr, S. Shambaugh, E. Patient, J. Parker, S. Pense, C. Glenn, R. Allsup, Mr. Morris B. Stalker, D. Stoutenborough, R. Hughes, D. Earles, E. Mitchell, M. Lynch, R. Woods, G. Archey.



T O N E T T E B A N D

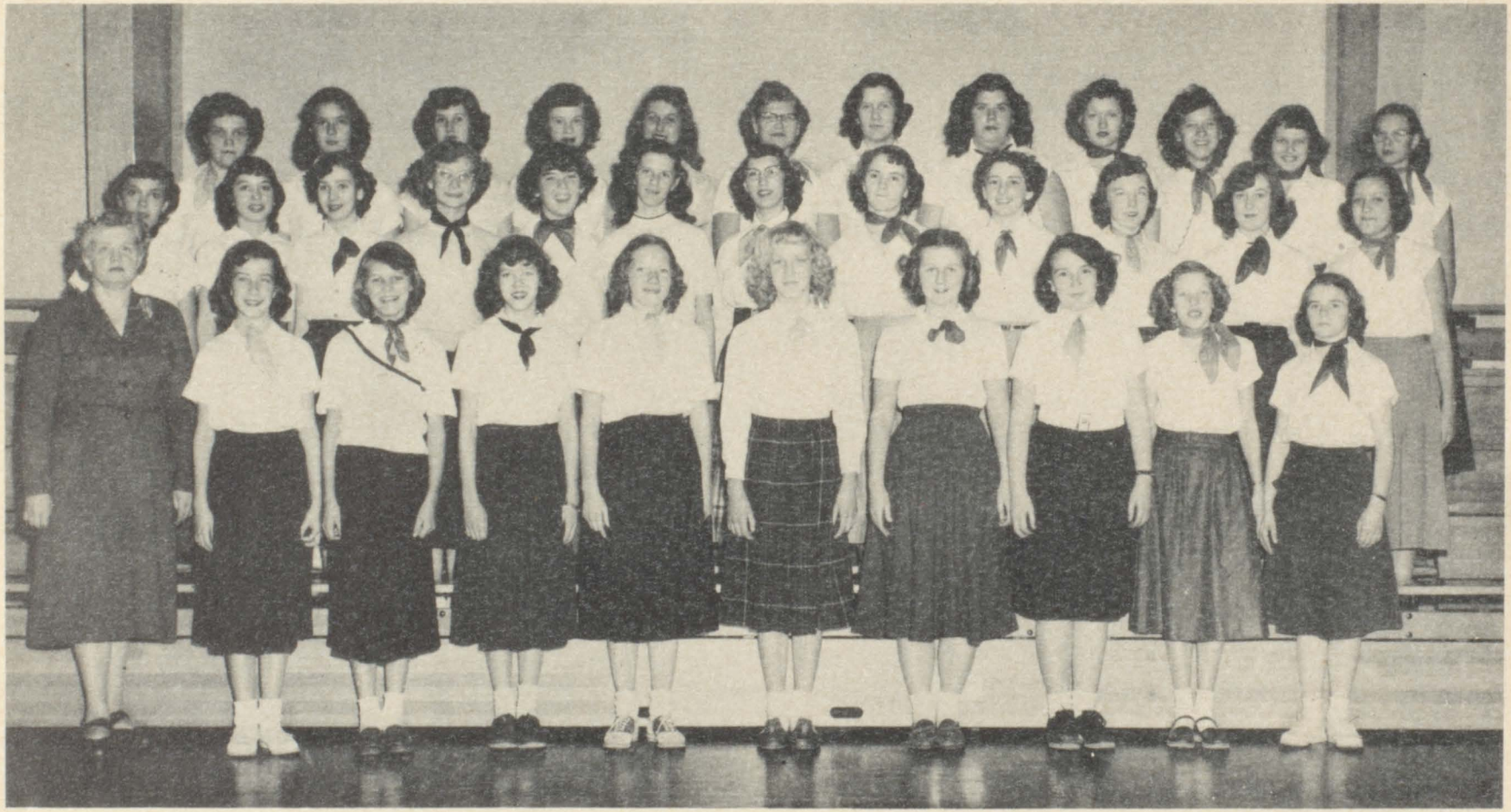
Front Row: Virgil Hanks, Gary Schroll, Charles Bliss, Danny Lynch, Skip Stein, Paul Groves, Jimmy Crouch.
Back Row: Terry Stoutenborough, Linda Catlin, Melanie McGuire, Carolyn Birge, Kay Arnold, Marla Kay Atchison, Martha Hunt, Sharon Fore, Linda Sprague, Donna Moberly, Nancy Howard, Suzan Boyd, Dee Smith, Mary Bolton.

THE BAND PROGRAM

The significance of an instrumental program in the public schools is apparent when one realizes the tremendous advancement band programs have made in very recent years. It is generally assumed that the main function of the grade school band is to eventually furnish material for the high school band but the aims and objectives on the secondary level should also look to the present as well as the future. We may think of the aims as those which are to be done to the music material, and objectives might be thought of as more remote, or the results which are sought through striving for aims.

Some of the more important aims to be achieved through music can be enumerated as: good playing habits, posture and holding instruments correctly, regular attendance, adaptation to playing of the rest of the group, good intonation (playing in tune), striving for good performance, striving for good tone quality, the proper care of instruments and equipment, and developing a good ability to read music.

The objectives to be reached are of a more personal nature and may be grouped into the following categories: health-developing better health through good posture and breathing, and developing muscular coordination; creative-providing an outlet for creative interpretation, and guiding emotional growth and self-expression; social-developing self respect and confidence through the power to play well, and forming pleasant relationships with people of similar tastes and ambitions; leisure time-provides a change from other school activities, and stimulates an interest in listening to other musical events; vocational-develops skills that may serve as a foundation for later vocational use, and discovers and develops talent that might otherwise be wasted.



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HISTORY OF SCHOOL

The first public school in Maroa was in 1858-59. No school building had been erected yet, but by that time there were nearly two dozen children and persons of school age in the village and immediate neighborhood, and the people realized the necessity of providing them the means of acquiring a common school education. The only vacant building in the town was a fram structure which had been the quarters of the construction gangs when the railroad was built, and abandoned when that work was completed. This building was fitted up where it stood, and in the fall of 1858 there was opened in it the first public school ever held in Maroa.

A new school home was built during the summer of 1859. The building was a frame and was located on the north part of the ground on which the present building stands. The lot was bought of the Associated Land Co., a corporation with headquarters in Massachusetts, and it is a noteworthy fact that the deed to this lot was executed and acknowledged at the town of Salem, renowned for its witchcraft persecutions during colonial times.

On the night of March 31, 1861, a severe wind storm struck the little village and did a good deal of damage to buildings. The new school house was lifted from its foundation and carried about ten feet to the east and quite badly racked. Temporary quarters were secured elsewhere for the school while the school building was righted and repaired.

At a meeting of the school board held Aug. 23, 1862, the tax levy for school purposes was fixed at one-half of one per cent, and the sum of $330. was appropriated, $275. for teachers, $30. for fuel, and $25. for incidental expenses.

By the fall of 1864 the school population had so increased that two teachers had to be employed for part of the year. Both teachers taught in the same room.

Additional ground having been purchased and the old building moved away, work was begun on a new school building in the summer of 1866. The new building was a two-story brick of four rooms. An east wing of two rooms was added in 1887.

During the summer of 1875 a one-room frame school house was built on the rear end of the school lot, back of the main building.

By 1877 the school had a principal and four teachers. The average monthly wage at this time was about $45. to $50. per month.

At a meeting of the board held April 3, 1882 it was decided that more ground was needed. Two acres of ground lying east of and adjoining the school lots were purchased for $500.

By 1890 the population of the town had reached a point where by law the management of school affairs should pass from a board of directors to a Board of Education consisting of a president and six members.

About this time it was decided to purchase a steam heating plant for the brick school. W. C. Dine was given the position as janitor and held this position until June 16th, 1941, completing nearly fifty-two years of janitorial service to the school.

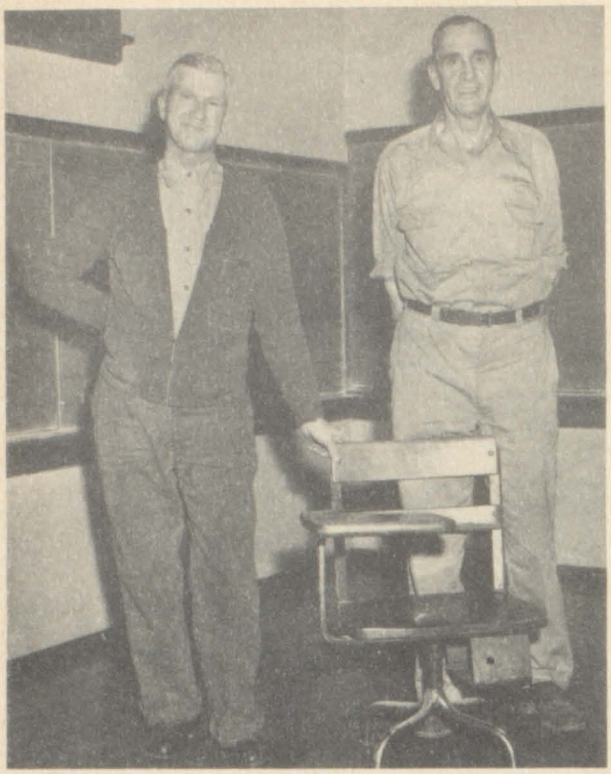
In 1895 improvements included the laying of concrete walks about the school buildings, and extending the city waterworks to the school premises.*

In 1916 the present brick building was erected. It contained twelve classrooms, an assembly and a small gymnasium.

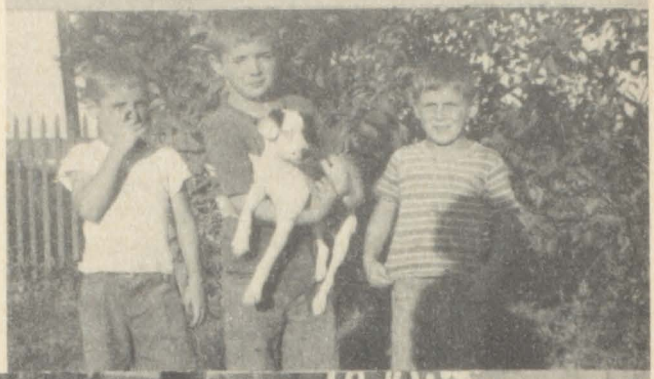
In 1953, four classrooms and a gymnasium were added. The old gym was converted to a kitchen and lunchroom for school lunches. The assembly is being used at present as a visual aids room and the new gymnasium provides a space for public meetings and assembly.

It is interesting thus to follow the history of the schools through the past century. Starting with two dozen pupils and one teacher in 1858, in a village of but a few scattered houses, a mere speck upon the bread, unbroken prairie, we have seen their gradual but constant growth and development until now there is an enrollment of over three hundred elementary pupils. Also during that period a new high school has been built and has an enrollment in excess of 130. The total enrollment of of the two schools in the village is about 450 pupils.

* Information taken from a catalogue and course of study of the public schools of Maroa, Ill. in 1901.











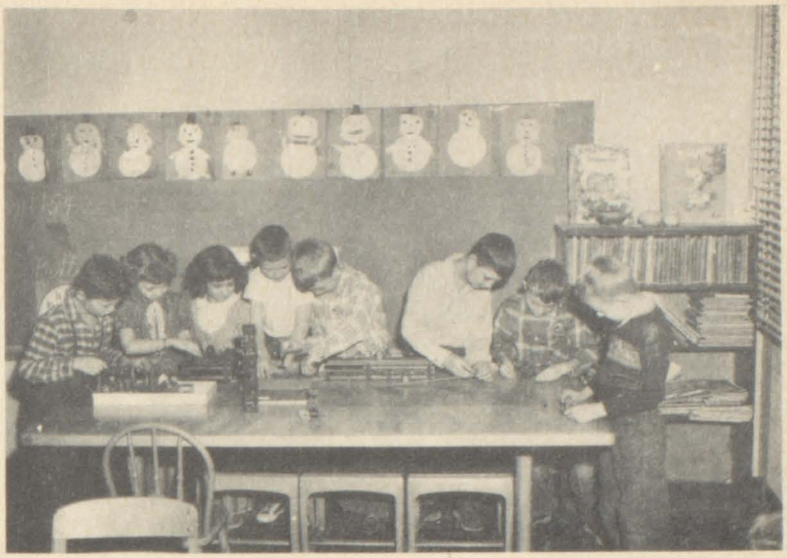

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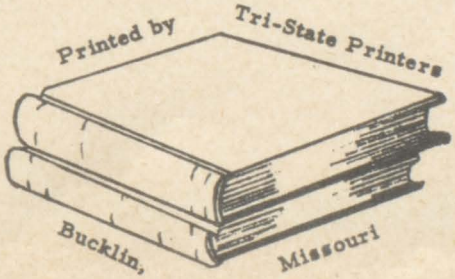






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